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Attorney Embezzled Disabled Clients!

By Kimmy Markland
Street Hype Crime Reporter

Attorney Martha Brosius, 50, of a Great Neck, Long Island, has been charged with embezzling funds from three of her former clients including stealing more than \$150,000 belonging to the estate of an incapacitated seventy seven year-old man.

The Elder Law attorney who practices in Great Neck and Manhattan, was arraigned before Judge Eric Bjorneby in First District Court of Nassau County on a criminal complaint charging her with three counts of second-degree grand larceny and faces up to fifteen years in prison if convicted.

She was retained on \$100,000 bond or \$10,000 cash bail and returns to court on October 17, 2013.

According to district attorney Richard A. Brown, Brosius in submitting a sworn accounting statement to the Court for monies spent from the disabled man's accounts, allegedly stated among other things, that she gave the man \$150,000 in cash between September 2009 and September 2011.

However, after a forensic review of her accounts by the district attorney's office, it was revealed that funds belonging to the disabled man were taken by Brosius from the escrow accounts she maintained on his behalf and deposited into her business and personal accounts.

In a second incident, according to the criminal charges, two sons of a Westchester man hired Brosius to handle their father's estate and to sell his resi-



MARTHA BROSIUS, 50

A Great Neck elder law attorney who has offices in Great Neck and Manhattan, was arraigned and charged on last Thursday (Sept 27) with stealing more than \$150,000 from three clients in a four-year period.

dence and set up a Special Needs or Supplemental Needs Trust for their disabled sister, who was the sole inheritor of their father's estate. A check for \$245,595.96 for the sale of the residence was deposited in an escrow account maintained by Brosius.

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Voting may be part of the solutions!

New York City residents will go to the polls on November 6, 2013 to elect the next City Mayor, Comptroller, Public Advocate along with District Attorneys, Borough Presidents and several City Council representatives.

This is an opportunity for residents to have a say in who leads the City over the next two to four years. But, exercising your right to vote could determine the level of social and economic gains in the community as well as the protection of our personal security, equal rights and justice.

With the current population of New York City estimated at 8.337 million people, data from the U.S. Census shows that of the 1.3 million immigrants in the five Boroughs, about 800,000 are lawful residents of voting age.

The largest ethnic group in New York City is the white ethnicity, which makes up

about 44% of the population. About 25.5% of the population identifies as black and about 12.7% of the population identifies as Asian. Also, Hispanics make up about 28.6% of the population. With about 37% of the population born in a foreign country, the City has been a place of many different cultures.

New York is also known to record the highest income inequality among all of the other States with the top 1% of the population in New York City controlling over 45% of the income earned in the City. The bottom 50% of the population only has 9% of the income.

As African Americans we are not only few in numbers, but have limited financial resources to wield serious influences on the governance of our communities.

Despite the shortcomings and weaknesses, we must be very active players in our democratic process in order to create the

type of community we want "to raise our families and do businesses."

Getting on the voters list and voting on election day are among the most practical strategies for us to consider as we seek self-governance and economic progress.

Fixing our political and governance structure could be the solutions towards our personal economic and social growth as in the case of Mayor Michael Bloomberg.

Some eleven years after assuming the post in New York City, Mayor Bloomberg's personal wealth and fortune have moved up to \$31 billion, a ten-fold increase, while the City achieves growth in employment and life expectancy move up by two plus years.

As African Americans, we should forge alliance with other ethnic groups and political parties –both Democrat and Republican – to achieve political leadership. We should start the process by registering to vote.



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people are talking....!

Would you select morals or money?

Recruiting teachers to teach international is not the easiest job. I love the fact that I am a part of the job creation process but the request that I get from school management can put my ethical and moral beliefs in a critical position.

Additionally to the school management, I receive a lot of requests from Educational Management companies from China. The private schools in China give contracts to Educational Management companies to hire and pay the teachers.

The Educational Management companies contact me to assist in finding teachers. Below is a request I recently received from a company.

Quote: "Our teaching-in-China placements are all year round and I do hope you can send me some good candidates on a monthly basis. I would like to reiterate the following are our basic requirements: Native English speakers; aged 20-55; Preferably a university degree holder; preferably a TEFL/ESOL certificate holder; preferably Caucasians- most schools psychopathically stick to this point at this end.



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This is another request I received from a Skype message: Quote: "Teachers need to teach age from 3 to 12 years, have some good way to control young children and



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have some other is most our school need white native speaker, this is not racial discrimination, because some child will cry when they face a black people, we have to send them white teachers, in Beijing and in some good school few black teacher."

Add to their special request for Caucasian teachers, the salary that they offer is no more than \$1300 per month. I am not sure how many qualified American

teachers that I will get to go to China on that salary even with selling the perks of free accommodation.

I asked these Educational Management companies if they would consider teachers from the Caribbean Islands. I was told they would try and place Caribbean teachers in "low dosage." So I ask you the readers for your advice if you were in my shoe.

Would you select morals or money?

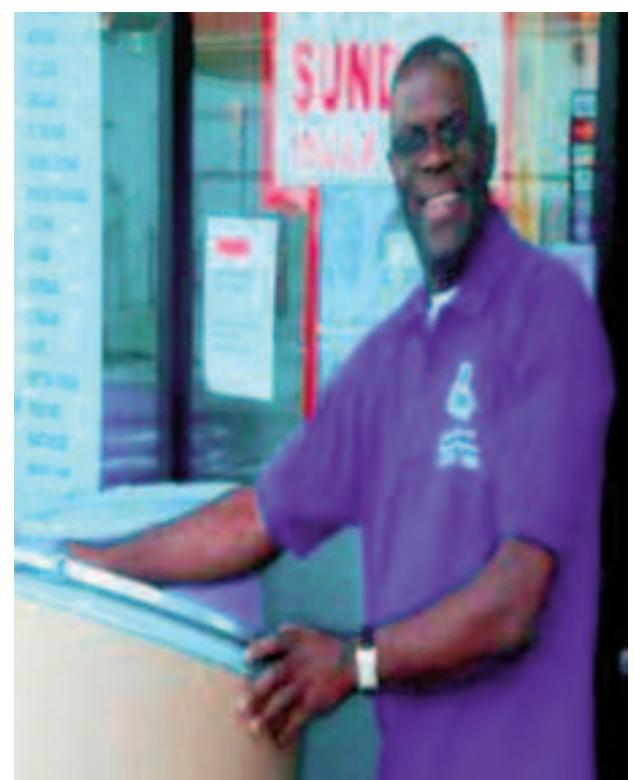
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Some funds were allegedly distributed while the vast majority of the funds were transferred to her business and personal accounts that no money remained from the original deposit or evidence that a trust fund ever existed. The Trust was to ensure that there would be no future monetary problems with the disabled sister's Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income and subsidized housing needs.

Brosius was also hired by a male individual in August, 2012 to handle his mother's estate and was given an escrow check for \$84,864. It is alleged that checks written by Brosius to two individuals who were to receive a gift of \$10,000 each under the terms of the deceased's will were not immediately cleared because of insufficient funds.

"The defendant is accused of breaching her fiduciary duty and unjustly enriching herself at the expense of her clients. Such alleged actions cannot go unpunished.", said District Attorney Brown. He is also asking anyone who believes that he or she may have been a victim, or knows someone who may have been a victim of the Brosius alleged scheme, to contact his Integrity Bureau at 718-286-6560.

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GOVERNOR CHRISTIE VISITS GOLDEN KRUST:

Governor Chris Christie of New Jersey (c) raps with Golden Krust Caribbean Bakery's franchisees Grill Richard Gore (l) and Lana-Kay Gore during a recent visit to the store at 303 Main Street, Orange, NJ. Christie has always been out in the communities supporting local businesses. The franchisees have been providing the authentic taste of the islands in their neighborhood for approximately eight years. Christie took time out to congratulate the franchisees on their community involvement and for exemplifying the New Jersey spirit. A family-operated business founded by Lowell Hawthorne, Golden Krust Caribbean Bakery & Grill is the nation's largest Caribbean-themed franchise with 120 restaurants in nine states.

Police Seek SUV Driver?

BROOKLYN:

Police are looking for the driver of an SUV that hit and killed a man in Brooklyn.

The 64-year-old was crossing Remsen Avenue near Avenue L in Canarsie shortly before 8:30 p.m. Friday when he was hit by a 2012 Chevrolet SUV.

Police say the driver took off after the crash. The victim was pronounced dead at the hospital.

Anyone with information on the case should contact the Crime Stoppers hotline at 1-800-577-TIPS, or text CRIMES and then enter TIP577, or visit www.nypdcimestoppers.com.

Baby found dead in Bronx apartment

BRONX:

A two-month-old girl died in the Bronx, apparently when her older sister rolled on top of her while sleeping.

The baby, identified as two-month old Jarilyse Della Cruz, was crushed inside the bed of the

Carpenter Avenue home in Wakefield just before 12:30 a.m.

She was pronounced dead at Montefiore Medical Center.

The medical examiner will conduct an autopsy and release the official cause of death.

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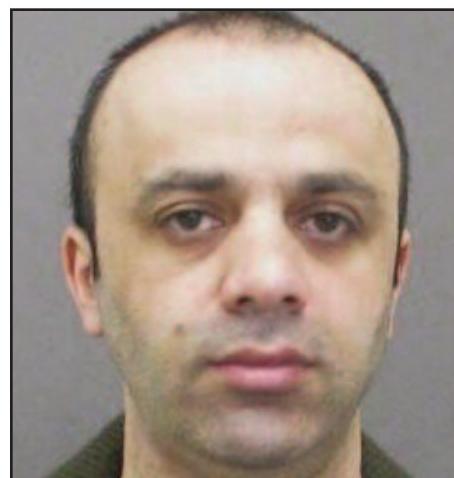
Pharmacist on fraud charges

BROOKLYN:

A Brooklyn owner and pharmacist, Aleksandr Ilyayev, 41 of V&A Pharmacy, Inc located at 72 Manhattan Avenue in Williamsburg was recently busted for allegedly scamming Medicaid out of almost \$800,000 after he chatted with an undercover investigator about his illegal operation selling primarily HIV drugs, authorities said.

He was charged with numerous offenses including health care fraud in the second degree, grand larceny in the third degree and falsifying business records. He faces up to fifteen years in prison if convicted on the top count and restitution of the stolen Medicaid funds.

According to the indictment, between January 19, 2011 and August 21, 2012, investigators conducted 14 undercover operations at the V&A Pharmacy. The investigation revealed that the defendant was allegedly engaged in three types of criminal schemes, all designed to get money from Medicaid.



Aleksandr Ilyayev, 41
Owner, V&A Pharmacy, Inc

It is also alleged that the defendant billed Medicaid for 22 different prescription medications that were never or partially dispensed, for which Medicaid paid a total of \$17,940.20.

The defendant allegedly gave undercover investigators "kickbacks" in cash or Metro cards in violation of Medicaid rules and regulations for bringing prescriptions for certain medications, primarily used to treat HIV to be filled at his pharmacy. Ilyayev also encouraged the undercover investigators to send him other Medicaid recipients with similar prescriptions, and promised them a commission for each new customer.

Each received a total of \$685 in cash and Metro Cards valued at approximately \$203.59. Ilyayev billed Medicaid and received payments totaling \$45,152.47. From the 14 undercover operations conducted, he billed and received a total of \$64,971.55 from Medicaid.

In addition, an analysis of records obtained by KCDA investigators, including the defendants' bank records, found that between January 19, 2011 and November 29, 2012, the pharmacy billed and received an additional \$726,150.04 from Medicaid.

Motorcycle riders arrested for reckless driving

FARMINGVILLE, New York (WABC)

Suffolk police arrested seven bikers for allegedly driving recklessly on the eastbound Long Island Expressway.

Two motorists called 911 to report the motorcyclists weaving in and out of traffic and speeding on the eastbound Long Island Expressway near Exit 49 at approximately noon.

Police say a Highway Patrol officer

responded and followed the group for approximately 10 exits and witnessed the motorcyclists driving recklessly.

When the group approached Exit 63 and traffic slowed, a second Highway Patrol car pulled out in front of the group and all seven motorcyclists pulled over to the right shoulder.

The following seven people were charged with Reckless Driving, a misde-

meanor, and other vehicle and traffic law violations.

Edward Gianino, 25, of Farmingdale
Emilio Morales, 28, of Brooklyn
Ian Glass, 20, of Farmingdale
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MOUNT VERNON NEWS

GEM Leadership Conference 'I Have a Voice in This World'

GEML Leadership Conference "I Have a Voice in This World" – Mount Vernon, New York, November 19, 2012 – On Tuesday, November 20, 2012, the Mount Vernon Youth Bureau's Girls Embracing Maturity (GEM) Program will host a large planning conference at AB Davis Middle School from 8:45am-11:30am.

"The Girls Embracing Maturity (GEM) Program was designed to help our young ladies mature and develop positive attitudes and attributes. It is our goal to equip our girls with the tools that are needed to become resilient, compassionate, authentic role models for their community," stated DaMia Harris, the creator of Mount Vernon's GEM Program and the Executive Director of the Youth Bureau. Tomorrow's event will be one of several conferences promoting student participation in the development of a culminating GEM Leadership Conference.

The final conference is anticipated serving over 300 young women in the public school system. The Mount Vernon Youth Bureau has partnered with several community members and organizations to include but is not limited to the Mount Vernon City School District, The Westchester County Youth Bureau and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Zeta Nu Omega Chapter.



DaMia Harris
Executive Director, Youth Bureau

Guest speakers for tomorrow's event are Dr. Murdisia Orr, Melinda D. Hodge, Nesta Felix, Basima Muhammad, Tina Shoulders, Stacey Lorin Merkl, Krista Mann, Veronica Jones and Leugenia Edwers.

Mayor Davis stated, "We recognize the value and importance of cultivating female leaders. In fact, we have done a great job in producing future leaders from this city, and we will continue to do this through programs such as GEM along with partnerships with the Mount Vernon City School District and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc." For further information, please contact Aku Brown through the Mount Vernon Youth Bureau at (914) 665-2344.

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CCJ rules in Myrie's favour

Kingston, Jamaica WI:

The Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ) has ruled that the Barbados Government breached Jamaican Shanique Myrie's right of entry when she was denied entry to the country more than two years ago, and awarded her more than \$75,000.

In its ruling this morning, delivered by video conference from Trinidad, the court ordered the Barbados Government to pay her \$75,000 in non-pecuniary damages, \$2,240 in pecuniary damages, and pay her legal costs.

Myrie claimed she was verbally abused by immigration officers, subjected to a body cavity search and illegally denied entry into the island when she arrived at the Grantley Adams International Airport (GAIA) on March 14, 2011.

In addition to seeking up to \$1 million and apology for how she was treated,



Jamaican Shanique Myrie-
The Barbados Government has to
pay her \$75,000 in non-pecuniary
damages, \$2,240 in pecuniary
damages, and pay her legal costs.

Myrie asked the CCJ to determine the minimum standard of treatment applicable to CARICOM citizens moving within the region under the Revised Treaty of Chaguaramas and requested that further investigations be carried out to identify the individuals who assaulted and detained her, with a view to prosecuting them criminally.

Caribbean criticised for failure to invest in agriculture

GEORGETOWN, Guyana:

Guyana's Minister of Agriculture, Dr Leslie Ramsammy, has criticised regional governments for falling short on promises of greater investment in agricultural research.

Speaking at the opening of a regional media workshop to kick off Caribbean Week of Agriculture (CWA) activities here, Ramsammy pointed to the fact that less than 0.1 per cent of the region's annual expenditure is devoted to research in the sector.

He cited lagging developments in the propagation of commercially-viable plant varieties and the search for alternatives to

heavy reliance of harmful pesticides and fertilisers, the minister said research and development had "fallen behind."

Ramsammy said this exists even though Caribbean governments say they are in pursuit of a "hunger free region of the world".

He chided regional officials for slow development of a genetically-modified organism (GMO) policy and said though he would not state his personal view on the issue, such a policy was important if the region were to properly address climate change impacts on the sector.



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Several Caribbean countries rocked by earthquake

Kingston, Jamaica:

An earthquake with a magnitude of 6.4 jolted several Caribbean countries including Trinidad and Tobago and Guyana on Friday night, the Trinidad-based Seismic Unit of the University of the West Indies (UWI) confirmed Saturday.

It said that the quake, which was also felt in Grenada and St. Vincent and the Grenadines occurred at 10.10 pm (local time) and was located north of the Paria Peninsula in Trinidad.

The Guyana-based Demerara Waves website said the tremor was felt as far away

as Corriverton, Berbice, Linden, Bartica, Mahdia and the North West District.

There were no immediate reports of damage or death caused by the quake which had a depth of 60 kilometers and was located 10.86 degrees North, 62.12 degrees West.

Media reports in Trinidad made reference to electricity power cuts but no serious damage or injuries. The quake is the most powerful felt in Trinidad and Tobago since 1997 when an earthquake with a magnitude of 6.1 struck the twin island republic causing damage in the sister isle of Tobago.

Jamaicans deported from TT

PORTE OF SPAIN, Trinidad:

Jamaica's High Commissioner to Trinidad and Tobago, Sharon Saunders, recently dismissed media reports in Kingston that a group of 20 Jamaicans had been deported from Port of Spain earlier this week.

On Thursday, there were media reports that the Jamaicans, who had arrived here on Caribbean Airlines (CAL) flight 457 on Wednesday night, had been given a rude awakening on arrival at the Piarco International Airport.

The report claimed that the Jamaicans were detained by Immigration and Customs officials and sent home the following day. It also said that the Trinidadian authorities had

blamed Jamaicans for an increase in the crime levels here.

But Saunders, speaking on a radio programme here, said the reports were inaccurate and "unfortunate". "I have to confirm that there is no truth to what was carried, I believe on Nationwide Radio yesterday, that 20 Jamaicans were returned who arrived the previous evening. "The fact is there were two female Jamaicans who were not allowed entry and were returned safely to Jamaica yesterday morning via Caribbean Airlines. So it is a falsehood," she said, noting, however, that a similar situation did occur last month when several Jamaicans were sent back home, forcing an intervention by her office.

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LEGAL ISSUES

Caribbean Entrepreneurs March For Immigration Reform

CaribPR Wire:

Caribbean-born, New York-based media entrepreneur and columnist, Felicia J. Persaud, was among tens of thousands in the United States joining the march nationally for Comprehensive Immigration Reform, (CIR), on Saturday, October 5.

The Hard Beat Communications executive, along with Valence Williams and Menes De Griot of Guyana, were the lone Caribbean nationals joining the New York Immigration Coalition organized rally in Brooklyn, NY, as they put the spotlight on the voiceless Caribbeans who are undocumented and desperate for immigration reform yet remain in the shadows.

Carrying a sign that read simply: "Caribbeans Too Need Immigration Reform," Persaud, founder of CaribPR Wire, News Americas Now and Invest Caribbean Now, has penned her 46th open letter to President Obama in her weekly column in the New York Amsterdam News calling for immigration reform now, got the thumbs up from Chirlane McCray, the wife of New York City mayoral front-runner, Bill de Blasio, whose roots extend to the Caribbean, as she proudly carried her sign around Cadman Plaza, Brooklyn.



Felicia Persaud, the Caribbean-born executive of Hard Beat Communications, rallies for immigration reform on Oct. 5, 2013. (NAN Image)

Then along with De Griot on the drum and Williams on the cowbells, Persaud marched over the Brooklyn Bridge Saturday afternoon along with thousands of mainly Latino advocates to send a message to President Obama and the U.S. Congress that passage of comprehensive reform was an issue just as important as the debt ceiling and the re-opening of the government.

"The fact the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service and consuls worldwide are largely open because of immigrants fees and the government shutdown has not affected them tells why the Congress needs to pass CIR now," Persaud said.

Though they were only three, the small Caribbean contingent stole the show with their rhythm and sent a clear message that the Caribbean was in the house and also needed immigration reform. "It's beyond incomprehensible that some three million Caribbean people can party each year down Eastern Parkway in Brooklyn, New York but only three of us can show up to make our voices heard for something that is important to thousands in our community," said Persaud.



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SPORTS



NEWS IN BRIEF

Simpson Heads to IMG Academy

Three-time Jamaican Olympian, Sherone Simpson, has found a new base camp in Florida, USA with IMG Academy. Her lifetime career manager Paul Doyle, stated "Yes, she is now training with Loren Seagrave at the IMG Academy in Florida, it's just a change she was looking to make."

Simpson, along with former training partner Asafa Powell who started their professional career with Coach Steven Francis at MVP, has had their share of dispute in the last three months, as they were tested positive at the Jamaica Trials in June, which led to a fall-out with former coach Stephen Francis.

Francis was quoted as saying he would not take back the athletes unless they parted company with manager Doyle.

Simpson won individual silver medal at the 2008 Summer Games. She also won gold with Jamaica's 4x100m team in London 2012. At the World Championships level, she helped Jamaica to silver medals in 2011 and 2005.

Simpson and Powell will face Jamaica Anti-Doping Disciplinary Panel in January 2014.



Tendulkar retires after 200th test

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Indian star batsman Sachin Tendulkar has announced his retirement from international cricket, saying his 200th test next month will be the last of a glorious 24-year career.

The 40-year-old Mumbai batsman is the most prolific in international cricket history with 15,837 runs in 198 tests and 18,426 runs in 463 one-day internationals. He also holds the record for most centuries in tests (51) and ODIs (49). He made his test debut for India in 1989 at the age of 16.

Tendulkar, has already retired from limited over internationals and is ranked alongside Viv Richards and not far behind Australian legend Don Bradman in the list of the world's greatest batsmen and he is revered in India as a popular hero.

His last test will be against the West Indies at a yet to be determined venue in India from November 14 to 18.

Jamaica beaten by USA, now out of World Cup

KANSAS CITY:

Jamaica's dream of reaching the finals of another World Cup came to an end on Friday evening in the alien setting of a stadium in Kansas City in the United States.

The Reggae Boyz, still holding on to a faint hope of qualification when they left Kingston earlier in the week, had that hope shattered when they were beaten two-nil by the Americans.

Jermaine "Tuffy" Anderson, the striker on whom many local fans were pinning their hopes of a positive outcome, was only given the last six minutes of the game.

After a goalless first half and another 22 minutes in which the Jamaicans held their own, the Americans got their first goal through Graham Zusi in the 77 minute of play. Jozy Altidore added the second goal to make the outcome a four-

mality, giving the Americans first place in the qualifying group and headed for Brazil in 2014.

Jamaica remains rooted at the foot of the standings on four points, and will end the campaign in 6th and last place on Tuesday, whatever the outcome of the fixtures then.

Honduras closed in on a place in the World Cup finals after a one-nil win over Costa Rica, who have already secured their place in the world showpiece. Jerry Bengtson got the winner for Honduras in the 65th minute.

That win has pushed Honduras to 14 points, that's six more than fourth placed Mexico and Panama who are also playing late Friday evening.

A draw between Mexico and Panama would ensure Honduras a place among the final 32 nations.

WADA probes Jamaica anti-doping Testing Program

Kingston, Jamaica WI

WADA is probing anti-doping claims that drug testing of Jamaica's sprinters broke down before the Summer Olympic Games in London in 2012.

WADA will undertake an 'extraordinary' audit of the Jamaica Anti-Doping Commission after its former head claimed out-of-competition testing all but vanished between January and July 2012.

WADA has confirmed to the AP that there was "a significant gap of no testing" in the run-up to the Olympics and that it is subsequently concerned enough to investigate the issue.

"There was a period of - and forgive me if I don't have the number of months right - but maybe five to six months during the beginning part of 2012 where there was no effective operation," WADA Director General David Howman said in an interview. "No testing. There might have been one or two, but there was no testing. So we were worried about it, obviously."

However, Dr. Herbert Elliott, Chairman of the Jamaica Anti-Doping Commission (JADCO), has dismissed Renee Anne Shirley's figures as being untrue.

Sunshine Girls Preparing for New Zealand

Kingston, Jamaica WI:

Jamaican National coach Oberon Pitterson says the Sunshine girls are behind in their preparation for the IFNA fast five competition to be held in New Zealand from November 8-10.

A squad of 17 players took part in a practice match on Friday with the aim of selecting a final of squad ten for the championship. Although expressing satisfaction with aspects of their game, Coach Pitterson says there is still a lot of work to be done.

Top players Jahnielle Fowler and Romelda Aiken who ply their trades in the Anz League are expected to form part of the final squad and Coach Pitterson has welcomed their inclusion.

The Sunshine Girls fell short at last year fast net tournament in New Zealand where they finished 4th.

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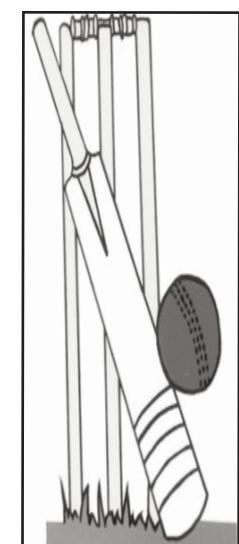
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Akeem Adams

Trinidad & Tobago Footballer Loses Leg

News Americas, Hungary:

Trinidad and Tobago-born footballer, Akeem Adams, has had his left leg amputated as he continues to fight for his life in a hospital in Hungary.

Adams, 22, who plays for the Ferencvarosi Torna club, suffered a massive heart attack last month and was fitted with a mechanical heart while awaiting a heart transplant.

However, his condition was said to have worsened because of necrosis in the limb as a result of his artificial heart not efficiently getting blood to his extremities.

Adams was fitted with the mechanical device just under a week ago to save his life but sadly his leg had to be amputated "due to the mortification of limb muscles." "This surgery prevented the immediate threat to life," Ferencvarosi Torna Club revealed on its website.

The Trinidad and Tobago Football Association, (TTFA) launched a fund last week to assist Adams who remains in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) of Városmajori Heart Clinic in Hungary.

ENTERTAINMENT

Humming bird Gala Set for October 25

The American Friends of Jamaica (AFJ) will be staging its annual flagship event celebrating an individual and/or company with significant contributions to the country while raising important funds for charities in Jamaica.

The AFJ Jamaica Charity Gala 2013 Hummingbird Gala and Benefit will be held on Friday, October 25, 2013 at the St. Regis Hotel in Manhattan.

For info and tickets: info@theafj.org
or call 212-265-2550

New Rochelle Dance Honors Secret Service Member

NEW ROCHELLE-- New Rochelle's "Oldies Dinner Dance" honoring a city native is set for November. The Holy Name Society of St. Joseph's Church in New Rochelle is scheduled to host the dance beginning at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 2 at the Church Hall at 280 Washington Ave. in New Rochelle. Entertainment will be provided by "The Baron's" and Gene DiNapoli and his "Bronx Bomber" Tribute Show, according to the release.

Reggae Culture Salute for November 2nd

Coalition to Preserve Reggae Music (CPR) has announced that Street Hype Newspaper will sponsor the CPR Showcase scheduled for the 9th annual staging of the family friendly and ever popular Reggae Culture Salute (RCS) on Saturday, November 2nd at Nazareth Regional High School, 475 E. 57th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11203 at 8pm.

During the CPR artist showcase, members of the CPR artist caucus showcase their talents and bring awareness to their craft.

Freddie McGregor to Receive 2013 CPR Pinnacle Award

BROOKLYN:

Coalition to Preserve Reggae Music (CPR) is pleased to announce that Reggae prodigy, singer, songwriter, producer and founder of the Big Ship label, Freddie McGregor will receive CPR's highest honor, the Pinnacle Award at this year's Reggae Culture Salute, for his more than fifty years as a pioneer on the Jamaican music scene.

Freddie McGregor, a household name in the pantheon of reggae achievers made his debut at age 7 as "Little Freddie" before going on to become popular for his early association with the Clarendonians and as lead singer with the Generation Gap and Soul Syndicate bands.

In addition to being honored, Freddie McGregor will make a special appearance at Reggae Culture Salute to mark the 83rd anniversary of the coronation of His Imperial Majesty Emperor Haile Selassie I and Empress Mennen of Ethiopia. As a long time member of the Twelve Tribe of Israel organization, Freddie will also mark the 50th anniversary of the speech delivered by His Majesty to the United Nations that was made popular by the late Bob Marley with the song, War.

The Pinnacle Award honors the contribution of the Ras Tafari ethos to the character of reggae music. The award is named for the community of Pinnacle in Sligoville, St. Catherine on the island of Jamaica, where Rastafarians best demonstrated self-reliance, resilience and resistance. Pinnacle was subjected to several attacks by the authorities until it was eventually destroyed by fire.



Freddie McGregor

Headlining Reggae Culture Salute 2013 is Etana, "The Strong One" who returns after making her debut in 2007 at the Webster Hall.

Reggae Culture Salute has become the preeminent roots reggae event in the New York tri-state area. The family event attracts a diverse intergenerational audience of reggae lovers who come each year to celebrate roots reggae music in an authentic community vibe. Sponsors for Reggae Culture Salute 2013 include, CPRLive, VP Records, Dennis Shipping, Street Hype Newspaper, Dragon Stout and Transcontinental Shippers.

For information on Reggae Culture Salute call 718 421 6927 or visit www.cprreggae.org. General admission tickets are \$30 in advance; VIP tickets are \$100 and children 12 and under are free.

'Reewind & Come Again' for Nov 9

Without a question, Irish and Chin bring the 'WOW' factor to Caribbean entertainment. Incredibly, Irish and Chin has outdone themselves with their latest feat, securing one of the most impactful line ups to grace a New York stage in ages.



CHIN

The iconic event producers have added exclusive Reggae giants King Yellowman, Josey Wales "The General," Johnny Osbourne, Luciano "The Messenger" and Michigan & Smiley to the already fiery "Reewind & Come Again" line up, which is set for Saturday, November 9, 2013 during Veteran's Day Weekend at Amazura in Queens, New York.

Additionally, Yellowman and Johnny Osbourne have infrequent U.S. performances. So, their scores of fans are also in for a treat. Luciano "The Messenger" will also grace the "Reewind" stage for the first time ever, injecting his impressive roots vocals and presence to the event.

"We owe it to our patrons to have the best acts on our event line ups," says Chin of Irish and Chin. "Our efforts paid off and after going the extra mile to pull 'Reewind' together in a grand way, the bar for live Reggae entertainment has officially been raised."

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POLITICAL AFFAIRS

Six Council Races Will Be No Contest

By Jarrett Murphy

The city's Board of Elections has issued this year's official general election contest list—although in a few cases, there's no contest at all.

In six of the city's 51 districts, Democratic Council candidates are running unopposed.

Manhattan's Margaret Chin (Chinatown and Lower Manhattan) and Inez Dickens (Central Harlem) join three Queens Council members—Julissa Ferreras (East Elmhurst, Corona), Danny Dromm (East Elmhurst, Jackson Heights) and Jamie Van Bramer (Long Island City, Sunnyside)—as incumbents facing not even a minor-party challenger. None of the three Queens reps even faced a primary challenge, so they'll cruise to re-election totally unopposed.

In Brooklyn's 35th district, covering Fort Greene and Clinton Hill, Democrat Laurie Cumbo, who led a large primary field, faces no general election opposition.



Councilwoman
Julissa Ferreras

She's the only non-incumbent facing no challenge on November 5.

In sixteen other districts through Brooklyn, Manhattan and Queens, Democrats face only third-party challengers because there is no Republican in

the race. And Maritza Davila faces no GOP opposition in her bid to replace Vito Lopez in Bushwick's state Assembly seat.

In Staten Island and the Bronx, all Council races feature Republican and Democratic contestants.

There are Democrats and Republicans in all the borough presidency races except Brooklyn's, where State Sen. Eric Adams, a Democrat running to replace Marty Markowitz, faces only third-party opposition.

This year's menu offers slightly less choice than in 2009, when five Council candidates ran totally unopposed in the general election and 11 faced no major-party opponent. One of the unopposed was Ferreras, meaning she hasn't faced a meaningful election since the primary in '09.

Of course, facing a third-party opponent, or even a Republican, doesn't necessarily mean a Democrat faces a real challenge.

In 2009, all five borough presidency races faced major-party opponents, and none of the winners received less than 75 percent of the vote.

The low turnout New York City has seen in recent municipal elections (in 2009, fewer than one in eight Democrats voted in the primary and less than a quarter of registered voters came out for the November election) has many causes, but the lack of even token competition is likely a contributing factor.

If so the fact that this year's public advocate and comptroller races are being treated as coronations for Democrats Letitia James and Scott Stringer, that polls suggest a landslide in the mayor's race and that nearly half of the City Council races are low-drama affairs suggest this year's turnout won't reverse the trend.

Is There No Competent Hispanic to Serve as Next Police Commissioner?

You should know that Mayor Michael Bloomberg's days are numbered as Mayor of the City of New York. He has only a little less than three months before he's out of public office.

You should also know that along with Mayor Bloomberg's departure will also come the departure of New York City's Commissioners, special assistants, and many workers who were hired and appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Mayor. In other words, thousands of people who now drive special vehicles and travel with drivers and bodyguards - beginning on January 1, 2014 - will be seen walking down the street and riding the subway like anybody else.

One of those many positions that will become vacant is the Commissioner of New York City Police Department. Raymond Kelly, the current Police Commissioner who has served for the past twelve (12) years in Mayor Bloomberg's Administration, is one of those many people who will have to pack his bags and move on.

One of the first orders of business for the newly elected Mayor will be to select all of his new Commissioners - including the most important Commissioner of all: the Commissioner of New York City Police Department. This department has never had a Hispanic Commissioner. Police Commissioners have been African American, Jewish, Irish, Italian, etc. - but never Hispanic.

You should know that the highest position ever reached by any Hispanic in the New York City Police Department is held by Rafael Pineiro, the son of a Spaniard father and a Cuban mother. Rafael Pineiro holds the position of the 1st Vice-Commissioner of New York City Police Department. In other words, he is the one who directs the day-to-day operations within the department.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW
By Senator Rev. Rubén Díaz



We have all heard that New York City's Democratic Mayoral Candidate, Bill De Blasio, has already begun to prepare a list of names, so if he is elected, he will be prepared to choose from that list and nominate the next Police Commissioner.

You should know that this topic has been covered several times in print, on the radio and television, and online – and we know that Bill De Blasio does have a list of potential nominees. We also know that Bill De Blasio's list for potential Police Commissioner does not even mention names that are Hispanic.

We all heard Bill De Blasio say: "One person who's been a very key adviser to me is Bill Bratton. I will certainly consider him." Bill Bratton was Police Commissioner under Rudy Giuliani's Administration.

Another name mentioned to serve as New York City's Police Commissioner is Philip Banks, who is an African-American and serves as the Chief of Department in Bloomberg's New York City Police Department. Bill De Blasio described Chief of Department Philip Banks as: "someone I'd consider."

To this date, there has been no one of Hispanic descent that Bill De Blasio has mentioned to serve as New York City's Police Commissioner.

I wonder what is the reason that among all of the people who Bill De Blasio may be considering for Police Commissioner, that there is not even one Hispanic on that list? Could it be that among so many thousands of Hispanics in New York City, no one is qualified to serve as Police Commissioner?

You should know that I did not support Bill De Blasio in the Democratic Primary, so I really have no right to demand much from him. In fact, the majority of New York's Hispanic elected officials did not endorse Bill De Blasio either. Even New York's largest Spanish language newspaper, *El Diario La Prensa* - whose logo is "The Champion of the Hispanics" - did not give its endorsement to Bill De Blasio.

I refuse to believe this is the reason that no Hispanic is being considered for the role of Commissioner of the New York City Police Department.

My dear reader, although there was not much support for Bill De Blasio by Hispanic elected officials, it is well known that the Hispanic community and the Hispanic vote came out and overwhelmingly supported Bill De Blasio on election day. As such, our community deserves a lot more consideration - and respect!

You should know Bill De Blasio's public relations specialist, Roberto Perez, analyzed the voter breakdown and wrote a column to show all of us that the Hispanic community got out the vote for Bill De Blasio even though Hispanic leaders did not support Bill De Blasio.

Ladies and gentlemen, I would like to recommend to Roberto Perez that he be sure to show his column to Bill De Blasio so his boss understands and appreciates that he won the Hispanic vote - even without the support of their leaders.

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Primrose Cricket Club at 100 not out!

*By Patrick Maitland
Editor - Street Hype*

The Primrose Cricket Club located at 3836 White Plains Road in the Bronx was founded in 1913 by Jamaican-born nationals, Father Jordan, Les Powell, Alfred Ellis, Maynard Calnick and George Clarke in an effort to continue demonstrating their love, passion and commitment for cricket. It is perhaps one of the remanding oldest organizations of its kind in the United States.

The name Primrose came from the former Primrose Cricket Club in Jamaica with a majority of its membership as Jamaicans. However as years progress others countries have been an integral part of the organization.

The club promotes cricket a-bat-and-ball game played between two teams of 11 players on a field at the centre of which is a rectangular 22-yard long pitch. Each team takes it in turn to bat, attempting to score runs, while the other team fields.

The Cosmopolitan league was the first governing body of cricket in New York until 1940. In 1941, the New York League was establish by Primrose Cricket Club and is now one of the governing body for cricket in North America.

The Primrose Club won the league's championship on numerous occasions and most recently the 2008 games. The club's 20/20 competition is sponsored by Cricket Zone & Trophy World. In 1999, the league championship trophy was renamed



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in honor of a past president and life member of the organization, Eric Young. Under the early guidance of Claude Thomas, Alfred Ellis, Les Powell, Mr. & Mrs. Cooper and Thomas McFarlane, the club worked diligently to attain its kind in congeniality and hospitality. Rufus Clarke, James Gabriel, Maynard Calnick, Garnett Atkinson and Eric Young joined later.

In the late eighties, a new set of leaders emerged, including Royston Kinlock,

Herman Wollaston, Roy Taylor, Stafford Young, Alfred James, Howard Millings, Anthony Lee, Lincoln Champagne, Winston Barnett, Rose Miller, Geneve Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Phynn, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Virgo, Homer Duhaney and current president, Elvis Grant who have been managing the club's affairs.

According to the Mr. Grant, the club has been an organization worthy of the memory of the men and women who labored and contributed their time and

effort without compensation. "We now seek to let our ideas and influence have some notable effect on the culture, educational and spiritual development not only in our community but wherever we may go," he explained.

He also noted that Primrose has just under 75 members but served hundreds of patrons as a recreational outlet and fulfill important social and cultural needs of Caribbean immigrant society. "The Club has nurtured a spirit of athleticism and competition and has allowed spectators and players alike to indulge their passion for the much loved Caribbean sport," he added.

Primrose has been contributing to the development of the Caribbean communities through the provision of scholarships to high school graduates; organizing annual Christmas treats for children and making monetary, medical and other donations to persons in need.

Primrose Cricket Club, Inc. was officially registered as a Domestic Not-For-Profit Corporation on February 10, 1947 by the New York Department of State and governed by the International Cricket Council (ICC), which has its headquarters in Dubai.

Cricket remains a major sport for over 130 countries and despite its unpopularity in the USA, the game continues to be very fashionable among former British colonies including Caribbean/Jamaican immigrants residing in the US.

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Primrose Cricket Club@100... MESSAGES

A remarkable achievement and meaningful jubilation

A sense of history pervades any celebration marking one hundred years in the life of an individual or organization, as by any measure, such an occasion is truly a remarkable feat.

It is for me, therefore, a signal honor to congratulate the Primrose Cricket Club on achieving this most significant anniversary, which I know you will embrace with pride, celebrate it with meaningful jubilation and plan with optimism for its continuation and future success.

These accomplishments aside, the history of Primrose and its Jamaican roots, serve to remind me of the tremendous brand this little nation of ours and its people have been able to garner on the world stage as we continue to make an exceptional mark in so many different spheres of life and activities. Truth be told, 'Jamaica is more than just a brand..we are the pride of a people.'

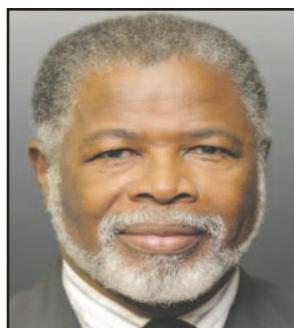


**Portia Simpson Miller
Prime Minister, Jamaica**

This is commendable and I urge you to use this milestone anniversary, despite the challenging times, to redouble your efforts in helping others and in advancing the community of interests which your Club has served so selflessly.

It is my prayer that God will continue to bless your organization and its members and that your endeavours for the hundred years will be crowned with success and prosperity

An organization worthy of memory

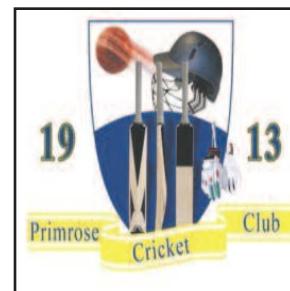


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My heartiest congratulations to the President, other members of the Executive, members and friends of the Primrose Cricket Club on this tour organization's One Hundredth Anniversary.

As cricketers, we are all accustomed to the ensuing elaborate celebrations and jubilations when one scores a century. The Primrose Cricket Club, the first of its kind in these United States of America, has just done so. Therefore, it is quite in order to celebrate with an anniversary ball.

Your five founding fathers in 1913 were true visionaries, who established a solid foundation, (laid the wicket-if you will) that has grown and has evolved into one of the oldest cricket clubs at this level in the United States of America.



An inspiration to Caribbean people

It is an established fact that sporting organizations have been the cohesive elements that have made West Indians in foreign lands more comfortable with each other.

Cricket is the most well-known sport played in the Caribbean. Although it is not played extensively in the United States of America, there have been significant attempts to increase its attractiveness among residents.



**Andrew Holness
Opposition Leader
Jamaican**

The Primrose Cricket Club Inc. is definitely the most significant group in this regard.

Founded one hundred years ago by a group of five Jamaicans living in New York, its objectives have expanded beyond the boundaries of merely playing cricket to other community activities such as scholarship assistance and support for children and the elderly.

The Club has truly been an inspiration to Caribbean people living in New York.

I wish to express heartfelt congratulations to all the members and supporters of the Primrose Cricket Club as we celebrate one hundred years of the founding of the club.

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OCCUPY WALL STREET MARKS SECOND ANNIVERSARY WITH MARCHES AND RALLIES: Occupy Wall Street activist, Tsehei H, credits the movement with opening people's eyes to the extreme economic disparity that pervades this nation. When it was first founded two years ago on Sept. 17, the movement's core message that the rich one percent is calling the shots and impoverishing the 99 percent struck a deep cord with millions of people struggling to make it through the economic downturn.

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YOUTH & EDUCATION

NYC Youth Poet Laureate Finals

On Thursday, October 17, with the 2013 general election less than three weeks away, the New York City Campaign Finance Board will host a competition to select the 2014 NYC Youth Poet Laureate (YPL).

This will be held on Thursday, October 17th at 7:30 p.m. at David Rubenstein Atrium at Lincoln Center (Broadway between 62nd & 63rd)

The CFB is proud to be partnering with Urban Word and the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts to celebrate the fifth anniversary of this competition that highlights the importance of voting.

The YPL program promotes creative self-expression and civic engagement. The Youth Poet Laureate will work with the CFB's voter education campaign, NYC Votes, to reach young voters across the five boroughs, promoting voting and civic engagement at public events, programs and peer-to-peer engagement activities.

YPL is a voting-themed program designed to energize young voters through spoken word poetry. Over its five-year history, the YPL program has delivered a positive voting message to tens of thousands of young New Yorkers through performances, speeches, voter registration drives, and neighborhood outreach.



BRONX YOUTH SEE A CHANCE TO CREATE A CHANGE IN THEIR WORLD:

Some 25 youth attended Bronx YEP's first meeting for the school year. After the session, the teens received a surprise visit from leaders of ADC-IKIBIRI, a Burundi, East Africa delegation. Pictured with the students are, from left, seated, City Council Member Andy King, 12 District/Bronx; Marina Barampama, former second vice present of Burundi; Frederic Bavuginyumvira, former vice president of Burundi and vice president of the Front for Democracy in Burundi; Alice Nzomukunda, former second vice president of Burundi, the first woman to hold the title and president of the Alliance for Democracy Renewal (ADR); and Met Ndiakumana, French translator. Also pictured is Neva Shillingford-King, program co-founder, standing second row center.

Charter School Supporters March on Brooklyn Bridge

Parents, students and educators who favor charter schools marched over the Brooklyn Bridge Tuesday morning to protest two proposals from mayoral candidate Bill de Blasio that would include paying rent and moratoriums on co-locations.

It was designed to be a show of force, the type of force that's colorful, cheerful and kid-friendly.

Organizers say 17,000 charter school supporters showed up Tuesday morning. Why? "To march the Brooklyn Bridge 'cause we need new schools," said one young student at the protest.

"Parents have to make that choice," said another. The first marchers began crossing before 9 a.m. More than three hours later, they were still coming.

While students placed self-portraits in front of the Department of Education, their message was aimed at the next administration.

"Parents who feel like they've benefited from Mayor Bloomberg's policies would like to see them continued," said Sharhonda Bossier of Families for Excellent Schools. Their specific concern is with mayoral frontrunner Bill de Blasio, who has said he'll be

less friendly toward the publicly funded, privately managed charter schools. "The next mayor has a choice," said one parent at the march.

De Blasio has said that he'll start requiring charter schools to pay rent if they want to use space in public school buildings, which charter supporters say could put some of them out of business.

"We deserve the right for free space in a public school building," said one parent at the march. Asked about it after the march, de Blasio didn't back down.



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Another summer has come to an end. It was fun while it lasted, but now it's time to set our sights on a whole new season.

Since we know you want to head into fall looking fabulous, we've put together some of our best tips for getting gorgeous as we say goodbye to summer.

Here are a few skin care tips for fall to keep you looking beautiful through the fall season.

Reassess Your Body Cleanser:

In the summer, fruity shower gels are a popular treat, but just be sure that your current favorite isn't going to dry out your skin when the dry cold weather comes in. You'll want to find a shower gel that is soap-free as well as hydrating. In the fall and winter, I like to put away the gels and bring out a creamy body wash. Milk Bath and Shower Cream is a great mild scent for fall, but be on the lookout for fantastic nutty or fall scents like pumpkin or oatmeal cookie.



after you've dried off after your shower or bath. Seal in the moisture that's already been absorbed into your skin.

Soften your skin with oil:

Heavy creams aren't the only way to hydrate when the weather and your skin get dry. Facial oils are just as moisturizing, and sink in quicker meaning you don't have to wait long to apply makeup.

Make over your makeup:

If you're not already hooked on mineral makeup, now is the time to get in on this healthy trend. The latest mineral finds boast good-for-your-skin ingredients like soybean extract and seaweed, in addition to being free of preservatives, synthetics, and artificial oils.

Give skin the spa touch:

The latest way to get amazing skin is to power up your face-washing routine with a rotating cleansing brush, the at-home facial appliance dermatologists are buzzing about.

Oil-Based Scrubs:

These are perfect for fall and winter because you are getting the exfoliating benefits with the extra bonus of hydrating oils. And when it comes to oily scrubs, the choices are endless! You can find scrubs that have a lot of oil swimming on top all the way to scrubs that are more of a solid consistency.

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NEW JERSEY FOCUS

Judge says no bail for Peter Tosh son

By: Jerry DeMarco,
Cliffviewpilot.com

A YouTube video presented by lawyers for the youngest son of reggae great Peter Tosh failed to convince a judge in Hackensack to lower their client's bail in connection with 65½ pounds of pot that Mahwah police said they found in the trunk of his car on Father's Day weekend.

The defense argued to Superior Court Judge Judge John A. Conte that a "family bond" would hold Jawara G. McIntosh just as securely as the \$200,000 bail that has kept him in the Bergen County Jail the past four months.

The video includes a brief interview with one of McIntosh's young daughters, Selecta Jah Tosh, saying how involved he is in her and her sister's lives. Also interviewed is his sister, Niame McIntosh, a Boston public school teacher who said her brother's time spent behind bars so far "is really too long knowing that he's really not a bad person." "He's not a menace to society."

Niame McIntosh refers in the video to their world-renowned father, who was killed during a 1987 home invasion in his native Jamaica, as "a musical ambassador for equal rights."

Grammy winner Peter Tosh



TOSH 1

(Winston Hubert McIntosh) was a member of Bob Marley's Wailers, arguably the most accomplished reggae band in musical history. Although an international recording star, Tosh didn't achieve fame in the U.S. until his 1978 duet with Mick Jagger on the Temptations song "Don't Look Back."

He fought publicly against apartheid and for the legalization of marijuana for much of his career.

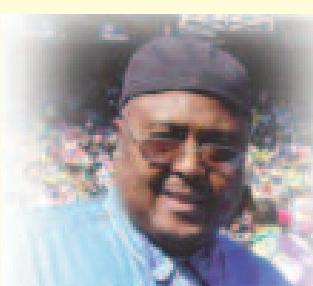
McIntosh, 33, who shares his father's "Legalize It" advocacy and goes by the performing name "Tosh 1," is seen in the video presented to Conte referring to himself, the youngest of his father's sons, as the "last hope for his legacy." "I'm going to make sure I live up to that," he adds.

Thanks for reading my first community news column in the Street Hype Newspaper. I will be using this medium to highlight events and other activities in the New Jersey communities. Your input, suggestions as well as your advertising needs will be accommodated.

- On Saturday, September 28, 2013 we lost one of the original Donkey of "Donkey Corner Social Club," Gilbert Lewis aka Munchy.



- The artist Jamar Rolando McNaughton aka Cronixx performed at the Art Factory in Paterson, New Jersey. The party was attended by over 600 people. Good job Road Block Radio 90.1 FM.



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- October is Breast Cancer Awareness month, please support as much as you can.

- Newark Mayor Cory Booker's father who resides in Las Vegas passed away last at age 76.

The Jamaican government under the leadership of the PNP, Portia Simpson Miller is implementing another way to criminalize and take money out of poor people pocket...Handcart operators are now paying JA\$3,000 for registration fees. Where does it end ?

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Blind dating can be convenient for those with a busy lifestyle. Many people do not even know where to begin looking for a date. Instead of spending hours speed dating, it can be a lot easier to have a blind date set up for you.

Broaden your horizons. One of the best things about blind dating is that you will be meeting people who are not already in your life. This can be a great way to see what else is out there.

There are many people who could set you up on a blind date. Friends, co-workers, and family members are just a few of the different people in your life who may know someone who is also looking. The possibilities of people that you may be able to meet are endless.

So here are a few tips for your next "blind" date.

Plan your activities: Some ideas would be softball, tennis, bowling, miniature golf, maybe even a board or card game (though, it could be hard with only two of you). Beware of trying something new, that you may not be knowledgeable at.

Plan your outing: Plan short, brief meetings at public places. A restaurant or coffee shop is a good idea. Maybe even a park. Being in a public place, if things don't



go well, you're not stuck.

Choose your attire: Wear whatever fits the activities. For sporting or fun activities, dress casual. For formal outings like a dinner at a nice restaurant, dress formal.

Be prepared: Research current events - national, international, and pop culture. This way, you'll have something to talk about. For a good date, you want an instant connection, similar interests, fun and witty conversation, and to just enjoy each other. Physical attraction is a plus. Lying makes a bad date, and if there is no connection, well, you might not make it.

End a bad blind date: Smile and end the date. Inform the date there is no connection, thank him/her for meeting, and leave. A good idea would be to arrive in separate vehicles. Since this is the first date, and you haven't met yet, it is best for each person to take their own car.



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ADVICE COLUMN

BY
DIVINE DIVA



He accuses me of being selfish

Dear Divine Diva:

My husband, "Vernon," and I have agreed to let you settle an argument. We have been married for seven years. Vernon was married to "Tamika," his previous wife for 12 years.

Since their divorce, Tamika has been invited to and attends all of his family's functions and holiday gatherings and we are not invited.

Vernon has told his parents that Tamika's presence makes him uncomfortable, but they said she will "always be their daughter" and they can invite whomever they choose.

I don't think Vernon should attend these gatherings with his ex-wife, but he accuses me of being selfish because if he doesn't go, he will miss out on his fami-

ly's events. He says if I don't want him there with her, then I should "crash" the events and show up uninvited and unwelcomed. What is right? -PJ, NY

Dear PJ: It would be interesting to know more about how your husband's first marriage ended, because that may be what has influenced your in-laws' decision not to accept you into the family.

However, as it stands, you are already experiencing enough problems without crashing his parents' gatherings, and I strongly advise against it. Your husband is selfish to ignore your feelings and go without you, but hey -- that's the man you married!

His Mother is pushing marriage!

Dear Divine Diva:

I am acquainted with a young man who is 18. His mother is pushing him to marry a young woman from Jamaica so she can stay in the United States. The young lady is an employee at his mother's store.

The mother is a very strong force and I am afraid he will go along with her plans. I am sure this kind of thing does happen all the time, but if this situation is discovered, what could happen to the young man? Could he go to jail for this? I would hate for him to ruin his life because of his pushy mother.

I would like to present him with all the facts before he commits himself to something this life-altering. If you print my letter please do not reveal my name for protection, as his mother would never allow him to see me again.

-Anonymous

Dear Anonymous:
His mother should be ashamed of herself. According to Judge Judith Champagne of the California Superior Court, the name for what you have described is "immigration fraud" and it is a felony that could, indeed, bring time. Please warn him that the feds are onto these kinds of shenanigans.

Couples who pretend to be married are called in for an interview and questioned separately about minute details that cannot be faked. Being convicted of a felony could ruin this young man's future, so I strongly advise against taking such a foolish risk.

-Always Divine Diva



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GEMINI (May 21 – Jun. 20): Your emotional side is really wild today and you need to make sure that you're paying attention. It's a good time for you to ask yourself what you really want and how you can get it.

CANCER (Jun. 21 – Jul. 22): This is a great day to take care of emotional or spiritual matters but not so much for business or worldly plans. Avoid signing anything or tackling any home improvement projects until tomorrow.

LEO (Jul. 23 – Aug. 22): Someone is pretending to look out for your interests ferret them out and your life should get a lot better almost overnight. It's a really good time to ask big, difficult questions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 – Sept. 22): It's time to go more in-depth whether that means into a book you're reading, someone you're seeing or a career path you're considering. Take it as far as you can go and see if you like it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 – Oct. 22): Today brings at least one big change but you don't have to worry about whether or not it's going to make a real difference in your life. That's a given, so all you have to do is focus on the positive.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 – Nov. 21): People are drawn to you more intensely than usual which could have a downside, if you have to prioritize them and leave some out in the cold. Try not to instill any grudges!

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 – Feb. 18): You are moving through molasses today, and just can't get anything important done. There's nothing wrong with that you need to take a break sometimes, and this is just your signal.

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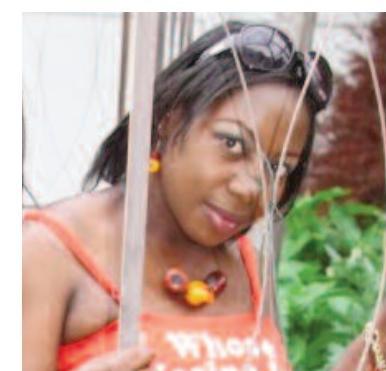
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My journey with prostate cancer

By Sharon Grey-Bryan

Today Wesley (20th June, 2012) and I went to the cancer clinic, and as he dropped me off at the front entrance of the hospital, I glanced at the over sized sign that reads, CANCER CLINIC, "my God, this is for real" I thought. My stomach was doing all kind of acrobatic stuff; my feet suddenly became too heavy for my vertically challenged frame.

As much as I had prepared myself mentally, my head, unfortunately forgot to convey the message to my heart that Wesley has prostate cancer. As we held hands walking through the main entrance door, I felt as though I were a prisoner being taken to the electric chair, especially for a crime I did not commit.

If today was an indication of what is ahead of me, I will tell you that the journey will be long suffering and quite tedious, to say the least. My journey has not yet begun and already I am beginning to feel the pangs of hell. A life that we had known for over thirty six years is all over and that was not by choice. "Where did yesterday go?" I kept asking myself, and what could have possibly gone wrong why today is up on us? Yesterday we had a marriage that was solid as a rock. We were blissfully happy; my marriage was my haven, a peaceful place to fall. A place I felt the safest and secured. It was not at all perfect, but then again neither were we, but at the end of the day, there was no one we would have rather come home to, but each other. We had a marriage that was filled with humor and I am proud to say that it was my meager contribution to the relationship, and then came "today" and with so much heartache and pain.

Little did I know that the cancer would



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have been the "other woman" in our lives and a "thorn in my side" A woman no man in his right mind would have wanted. I have been truly blessed with a faithful man, a man who happens to love me totally and completely. Some would even say that I have been spoiled throughout the years. That was until "she" came into our lives. Mark you, Wesley did not go out looking for trouble, never -the-less, trouble had certainly found him. My husband has no desire to be with this "woman" as she continues to stalk him. Unfortunately, a restraining order against "her" is out of the question as she is above the law. Our next step will be to take drastic measure, either by burning "her" to the stake, RADIATION or murdering her, SURGERY.

I never knew that there would be a time in my life that I would have preferred THE OTHER WOMAN to be a person so that we could actually go at it like two ally cats. I know one day she will eventually be gone out of our lives, but should I be happy knowing that "she" will be leaving with an intricate part of his body? Is it selfish of me to want every fiber of his being? Or should I be grateful that when she leaves, she is not taking his heart with her?

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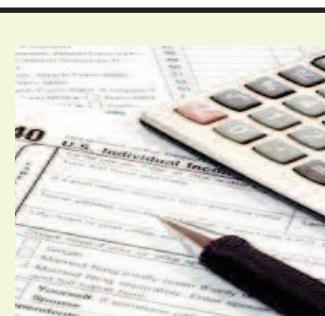
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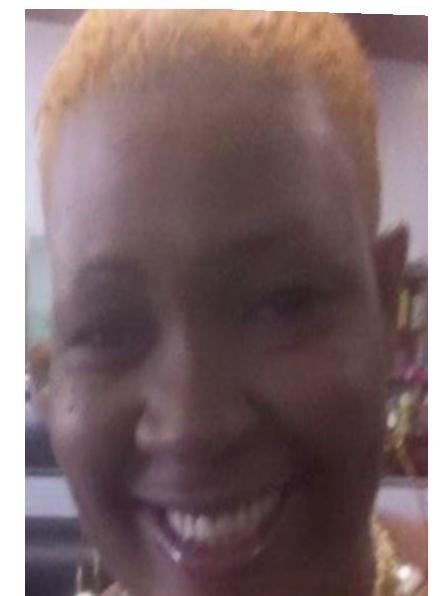
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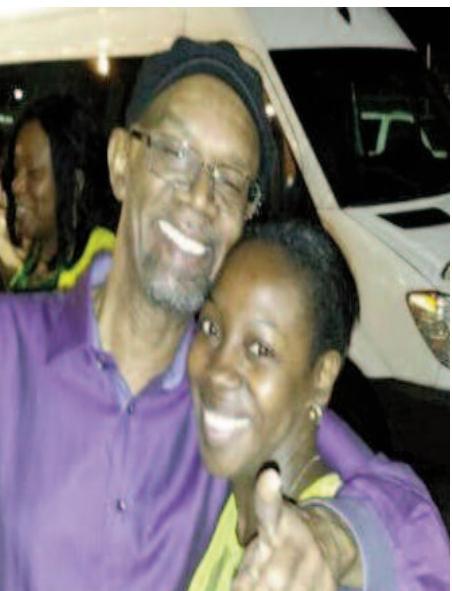
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Jazz at Lincoln Center's

The 2013-14 season of the perennially popular Jazz for Young People family concert series kicks off with Jazz Meets Gospel on November 9, In Rose Theater, at 1pm & 3pm.

Dynamic gospel pianist and conductor Damien Sneed explores the deep and soulful connections between jazz and gospel and draws on the music of giants including Duke Ellington, Charles Mingus, and Wynton Marsalis – whose compositions include gospel music – to demonstrate how the styles have been combined to create important works. Tickets start at \$12.

Damien Sneed – pianist, organist, vocal coach, conductor, composer, arranger, lecturer, and producer – has served as Music Director for many artists and projects in the gospel music arena. He and members of his choir, Chorale Le Chateau, will host a free listening party in Jazz at Lincoln Center's Agnes Varis and Karl Leichtman Recording Studio on Friday, November 8, at 7 pm featuring seminal gospel recordings and discussion.

Ticket prices for Jazz For Young People start at \$12. Tickets can be purchased through jalc.org 24 hours a day or CenterCharge at 212-721-6500, open daily from 10am to 9pm. Tickets can also be purchased at the Jazz at Lincoln Center Box Office, located on Broadway at 60th Street, ground floor. Box Office hours: Monday–Saturday from 10am to 6pm (or 30 minutes past curtain) and Sunday from noon to 6pm (or 30 minutes past curtain).

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Jamaican Prime Minister Portia Simpson Miller (3rd l) with (l-r): Marc Jerome, EVP, Monroe College; Janice Savin Williams, President, William Capital and former Jamaican Consul General Geneive Brown Metzger at The American Friends of Jamaica (AJF) Cocktail Reception on Tuesday (September 24) held at Manhattan residence of former U.S. Ambassador to Jamaica Brenda Johnson to promote the group's upcoming "Hummingbird Gala and Benefit" set for Friday, October 25 at the St. Regis Hotel in New York City.

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